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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-referenced application is respectively requested in view of the above amendments and these remarks. Claims 1-30 are currently pending.

In the Office Action, claims 1 -30 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by United States Patent No. 6,633,636 to McConnell et al. Applicant has amended claims 1, 8, 14 and 22 to clarify these independent claims. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

Each of the pending claims recite, in part, a method of or a system for providing mobile feature information to enable a mobile feature on a land line element within a communication network comprising translating mobile feature information, transmitting the translated mobile feature information to a land line element and implementing a mobile feature in the land line element using the translated mobile feature information. More particularly, the translated mobile feature information is translated into information that is readable by the land line element so that the land line element can access the information as a fixed feature of the land line element. No new matter is entered by this amendment, and adequate support can be found on page 9, lines 2-17. Accordingly, the information that is translated in the present invention is translated into information that is particular for the land line element. McConnell does not disclose translating mobile feature information into information that is readable by the land line element, transmitting the translated mobile feature information that is readable by the land line element to the land element or implementing a mobile feature in a land line element using translated mobile feature information, and thus, cannot anticipate the pending claims.

Generally, the claim method and system enables existing land line based call agents to process mobile network calls having mobile phone related features, with the call agent may otherwise be unable to process. Some call agents may have a pre-programmed land line feature function, which accepts input data, e.g., from a provisioning database, and performs the land line feature function based on the input data. For example, a land-line based call agent may have a land line based call forward busy function, in which case, a provisioning database may provide the call agent with a phone number for forwarding the call when the call agent determines that a receiver is busy. The claimed

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method and system provides a translation element that will obtain mobile feature information, translate that information into a form usable by the land line call agent to mimic a mobile feature, and transmit the translated feature information for input to the land line call agent so that the call agent is called upon to execute the mobile feature, it will mimic the mobile feature using the translated mobile feature information and the translated mobile feature information.

McConnell discloses an interface 18 for directing a wireless intelligent network service point (WIN SCP) to transmit routing instruction to a PBX. McConnell does not disclose translating mobile feature information and transmitting the translated mobile feature information to the land line element. McConnell also does not disclose translating the mobile feature information into a format that is readable by the land line element. As disclosed in McConnell, when an incoming call, having a phone number associated with an enhanced service, is received on a PBX, the PBX requests enhanced services information from an interface 18, which then directs a WIN SCP to send the PBX routing instructions. This is not translating mobile feature information. In fact, McConnell's PBXC appears to directly accept routing instructions from external sources, such as the WIN SCP. Moreover, it appears in McConnell the land line elements access the information from the mobile system directly from the mobile. In the present invention, the translated mobile feature information is provided to the land line system for access by that system. The land line system does not need to access the mobile or the mobile system to obtain the mobile feature information. As stated earlier, McConnell actually teaches that translation is not necessary, i.e. the WIN SCP provides the routing information that the PBX is designed to accept and this information is obtained directly from the WIN SCP instead of the land line element obtaining the information from the land line system.

The claimed method and system, on the other hand, uses translation to provide a land line element, e.g. a call agent or a provisioning database, with feature information that prior to translation may not be acceptable to the land line element. For example, mobile feature information cannot be directly transmitted to a land line element that does not recognize the parameter corresponding to a mobile feature that is not a part of the land line system, e.g. forwarding when roaming. The claimed system may first translate

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the mobile feature information into a land line equivalent feature or into a format that is readable by the land line element before the land line element will accept the mobile feature information. Then the claimed system transmits the translated information for use within the land line system. Because McConnell does not disclose translating mobile feature information and transmitting the translated mobile feature information to a land line element, McConnell cannot anticipate the pending claims.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that McConnell does not disclose the present invention as found in independent claim 1, 8, 14 and 22. Applicants therefore submit that the independent claims are not anticipated by McConnell. As claims 2-7, 9-13, 15-21 and 23-30 depend upon and include the limitations of claims 1, 8, 14 and 22 respectively, it is also submitted that McConnell does not anticipate these claims. Applicants respectfully request that the rejection under Section 102(b) be withdrawn.

As the Applicants have overcome all substantive rejections and objections given by the Examiner and have complied with all requests properly presented by the Examiner, the Applicants contend that this Amendment, with the above discussion, overcomes the Examiner's objections to and rejections of the pending claims. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of the application. If the Examiner is of the opinion that any issues regarding the status of the claims remain after this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative to expedite resolution of the matter.

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